

# Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

#### 1. What is the purpose of the FY 2011 NSGP?

The purpose of the FY 2011 NSGP is to provide funding support for target hardening activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack and located within one of the specific UASI-eligible urban areas. This program seeks to integrate nonprofit preparedness activities with broader state and local preparedness efforts. Additionally, the program is designed to promote coordination and collaboration in emergency preparedness activities among public and private community representatives, state and local government agencies, and Citizen Corps Councils.

## 2. How much funding is available under the FY 2011 NSGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FY 2011 NSGP will be \$18,962,000.

## 3. Who is eligible to apply for FY 2011 NSGP funds?

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only agency eligible to apply for FY 2011 NSGP funds on behalf of nonprofit organizations. Eligible nonprofit organizations (as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Title 26 of the U.S.C, and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code) that are at **high risk of terrorist attack** and are located within one of the specific FY 2011 UASI-eligible urban areas must provide their applications to their respective SAA to be considered for FY 2011 NSGP funding.

#### 4. What are the key milestones associated with the FY 2011 NSGP?

The key milestones associated with the FY 2011 NSGP are:

- May 19, 2011: Release date for the FY 2011 NSGP Guidance and Application Kit
- June 9, 2011: Deadline for sub-grantees to submit applications to the SAA
- June 20, 2011: Applications due to DHS-FEMA by the SAA

#### 5. How will the FY 2011 NSGP funds be allocated?

The allocation methodology for the FY 2011 NSGP will be based on risk analysis, effectiveness, and integration with broader state and local preparedness efforts. Each nonprofit organization may apply through their SAA for up to a \$75,000 grant award.

# 6. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2011 NSGP?

The *Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011* (Public Law 112-10) provided funding for this program.

#### 7. Where is the FY 2011 NSGP Guidance and Application Kit located?

The FY 2011 NSGP Guidance and Application Kit is located online at <a href="http://www.fema.gov/grants">http://www.fema.gov/grants</a> as well as on <a href="http://www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a>.

# 8. How will the FY 2011 NSGP applications be submitted?

Completed applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM EST, June 20, 2011. Eligible applicants must apply for funding through the Grants.gov portal, accessible on the Internet at <a href="http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a>. When applicants apply through <a href="http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a>, the Standard Form 424 in the initial Grants.gov application will need to be submitted. The Standard Form 424 will be retrieved by ND Grants and the system will automatically populate the relevant data fields in the application. Because FEMA will need to conduct an initial review of the application prior to the submission deadline of June 20, 2011, grantees (SAAs) are encouraged to initiate and complete the Standard Form 424 submission within Grants.gov by June 13, 2011. Upon the completion of the initial review, FEMA will determine whether an application should proceed further and the applicant will be notified to complete their submission by fulfilling additional application requirements (e.g., budget, Investment Justification, Work Plan, etc.) by no later than June 20, 2011.

The application must be completed and only final submission made through the ND Grants system located at <a href="https://portal.fema.gov">https://portal.fema.gov</a> will be accepted. If you need assistance registering for the ND Grants system, please contact FEMA's Enterprise Service Desk at (888) 457-3362. Applicants are encouraged to begin their ND Grants registration at the time of solicitation to ensure they have adequate time to start and complete their application submission.

# 9. What other resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions?

- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or <a href="mailto:askcsid@dhs.gov">askcsid@dhs.gov</a>. CSID hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to <a href="mailto:ASK-GMD@dhs.gov">ASK-GMD@dhs.gov</a>.

### 10. What is the FY 2011 NSGP period of performance?

The period of performance is 36 months.